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Honorable Allen Dulles  
Director of Central Intelligence  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

A considerable amount of reliable TALENT and COMINT data on the Soviet missile program has not been fully exploited because of specialized and difficult analytical problems.

It is my opinion that many of the critical intelligence gaps on Soviet missile progress could be filled through further analysis of these sensitive materials by U. S. specialists presently involved in the missile research and development effort. The Army's most knowledgeable missile specialist is Dr. Wernher Von Braun. Dr. Von Braun is also familiar with the "state of the art" as known by the German scientists exploited by the Soviets to initiate their missile program.

I am personally convinced that Dr. Von Braun's loyalty has been demonstrated by his exemplary record with Army since 1946. I therefore strongly recommend that Dr. Von Braun be granted clearance for access to selected TALENT materials.

Sincerely yours,

*Wilber M. Brucker*

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Secretary of the Army

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